

December 16, 2010
Approved Meeting Minutes
Beaver Meadow Golf Advisory Committee

Members Present:

Chris Mulleavey, Chair
Jim Marshall
David Croft
Jennifer Kretovic
Fran Hunt
Dick Holden
Roger Jobin
Mark Coen
Charles Vanasdalan
Bernard "Sid" Chase
David Gill

Members Absent:

Betty Hoadley
Bob Vachon
Ed Deshaies
Vera Buck

Others Attending:

Phil Bilodeau
Chris Jacques
Brian LeBrun

A call to Order

5 Minutes of Public Input

None

Chris asks if there is a motion to approve the Draft minutes from the November 16, 2010 meeting or any questions about the minutes

Jennifer moves approval of the minutes from the November 16, 2010 Meeting.

Dave seconds the motion.

Motion Carries 8-0

Brian LeBrun is introduced and he fields questions regarding the timing of the rate recommendation to City Council and its impact on the budget.

Topics discussed:

Recommendation can be made at anytime

Recommendation would be for current fiscal year

The later rate is set the more information staff has to work with and staff has a better idea of the next budget will look like.

It does take time to get recommendation passed by Council.

If rates for the following year are to be set by September 1st for the following golf season the discussion would need to begin as early as May for a recommendation to Council to come out of June's GAC meeting. Rates could then go on the July consent agenda and on the August agenda for public hearing if necessary.

Setting Rates early would ease marketing Permits for the next year.

Setting rates in time for Christmas Sales would mean getting recommendation to Council for the November Consent agenda and possible December public hearing.

One solution suggested is to allow those shopping rates, i.e. new permit holders, to lock in the current year's rate by joining through either or both the \$300 special or ACH.

Rates

Staff shares local rate comparison as well as a break down of average cost per round by permit category. The average cost per round for Adults was between \$20 and \$22.

Value of resident non-resident permits discussed:

Beaver Meadow Currently has 82 non resident members with most coming from Bow but nearly every surrounding community is represented.

Most feel one rate would be simpler but see value in discounting the resident permit.

Currently a 20% difference between the Adult Permits

Resident Adult Permits are well below the local market price Non Resident somewhat below market. Canterbury, Loudon and Plausawa are \$1300, \$1450 and \$1484 respectively. 2010 Beaver Meadow Non-Res was \$1,237.

Staff did not bring a fully prepared Rate Recommendation because of the uncertainty of maintaining the Res Non-Res differential. If rates were to go up 5% across the board it would result in resident rates still well below market and bring non Res rates to the lower end of the market.

Phased elimination or tightening the differential is discussed.

After discussion the Committee Chair polls the committee regarding a phased approach. There is support to maintain the differential but move it to 10% over time. Discussion ensues to achieve that goal. One option is to freeze the current Non-Res rate until Resident rate approaches it another is to raise each by different amounts until the desired differential is achieved.

Dick moves that Committee make a recommendation to Council for rates reflecting a 7% increase for resident permits and 2% for non-resident permits rounded to

the nearest \$5, combining the junior rates into one at \$325 and rounding the 2010 Collegiate Rate to \$750, with daily rates to be discussed at the next meeting.

Mark Seconds

Motion Carries 7-0

Old Business

LWCF

City' proposal is not in the top half of those submitted after first evaluation. This does not mean we won't get a grant. Because the grant requires matching funds, which the City has appropriated from impact fees, improves our chances as the process moves along. If grant is not received, the City could appropriate more dollars of it's own to complete the project without LWCF dollars. In any event there should be a decision from the LWCF in April.

FUTURE'S Tour

Mark reports fundraising is going well and Dick Holden has been selected vice chair of committee organizing the event.

Chris asks if there is a motion to adjourn.

Mark so Moves.

Dick Seconds,

Motion Carries. 7-0

Meeting is set for January 18, 2011

7:30 AM

Beaver Meadow Clubhouse

Agenda:

Public Input

Approval of Minutes

Daily Fees

Meeting Adjourned.